DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
October 10, 2017  
Escanaba, Michigan

A Statutory meeting of the Delta County Board of Commissioners was held this date, pursuant to the following call:

October 5, 2017

The Honorable Members of the Delta County Board of Commissioners

Dear Commissioners:

A Statutory Meeting of the Delta County Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday October 10, 2017, at 5:15 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Delta County Service Center.

Sincerely yours,
Nancy J. Kolich
Delta County Clerk

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioners Tatrow, Johnson, Nelson, Moyle and Rivard.

ABSENT: None.

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Delta County Service Center by Delta County Clerk, Nancy J. Kolich.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Tatrow to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2017 meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to approve the agenda, as amended adding Item 19.5. Plumbing and Mechanical Inspector and moving Public Comment and Commissioners Concerns before Executive Session. MOTION CARRIED.

VII. PRESENTATATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

A. Received: 1. Resolution from Genesee County.  
2. Letter from Delta Conservation District.  
3. Resolution from Mackinac County.
              2. Letter to Greg Haslow.
              3. Letter to Tom Trudgeon.
              5. Letter to Terrence Wanic.
             12. Letter to Dennis Wiltzius.
             14. Letter to Kenneth Meshigaud, H.I.C.

VII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY COMMITTEES
    1. CAA/HRA minutes of 5-11-17, 7-20-17.
    2. Pinecrest Board minutes of 5-25, 6-22, 7-27, 8-24-17.
    3. Solid Waste Management Authority minutes of 7-25.
    4. Human Services Board minutes of 8-21-17.
    5. Public Health minutes of 8-16-17.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:
    1. Township Association minutes of 5-26-17.
    2. Superior Trade Zone minutes of 6-20-17.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT:
    None.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Administrator’s Report.

   Bid package 2 went out last week. The Pre-bid meeting was held today. The Public bid opening will occur on October 24th at 3:30 pm. There are 19 contracts including: electrical, HVAC, plumbing, painting, flooring, masonry, roofing, general trades. We sent specific notices to Delta County companies to encourage them to bid. Some of them are separated between Courthouse and Jail Site to encourage smaller local companies to apply.

   Building Authority met yesterday. Setup an early final payment on courthouse renovation debt. That allows the deed to come back to the county, which is required for USDA. The USDA closing is now tentatively scheduled for Tuesday October 24th at 2:00 pm. Only the Board Chair and the Clerk will need to be there.
Building and Grounds Meeting will take place Thursday at 2 pm. Go over Search and Rescue building plans. The Maintenance Director has been working on utilizing internal and free trade labor wherever possible. Review Emergency Management Recommendations from the State Court Administrative Office.

Airport Inspection revealed that some runway lines needed to be painted immediately. Kelly has purchased the necessary equipment to get the project done and her crew will do so before the end of the month.

Fleet Maintenance Update: Delta County was previously sued. The City represented us through agreement. A settlement was reached. Escanaba agreed to a $5,000 loss unless the state will waive it. Delta County and Peter Van Steen were held harmless.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to receive the Administrator’s Report and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Personnel Committee minutes of 10-9-17.

2. Temporary Sergeant.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to assign temporary Sergeant retroactive to October 1, 2017. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Tatrow to receive the Personnel Committee minutes of 10-9-17 and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

XI. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to pay bills in the amount of $1,891,123.69 and Commissioners expenses of $1,887.85.

ROLL CALL

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MOTION CARRIED.
2. School Justice Partnership – Phil Strom.

The Delta County Prosecutor’s office was awarded a $60,000 grant to partner with law enforcement and the schools to prevent truancy. The grant will cover an additional 5 hours per week for the Legal Assistant at the 4 year level rate of pay. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Tatrow to approve the Legal Assistant increase to the 3 year level rate and additional 5 hours per week for the length of the grant, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.


Ms. Lessard gave a presentation on the Back Forty Project and the benefits to Delta, Menominee and Dickinson counties.

4. Lease Option to Escanaba – Solar Project.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to allow the City of Escanaba to conduct any necessary testing at the Airport related to a Solar Project, if approved by the Airport Manager. MOTION CARRIED.


Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Tatrow to support SB100 – Equal Access to Justice, as written. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Service Center Timber Sale Results.

Rory Mattson, Delta County Conservation District Director, gave the Board an update on the Service Center Timber Sale - $35,942 with costs of $4,000. Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to send a letter thanking Mark Pomeroy of Pomeroy Forest Products. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Community Forest Update.

Rory Mattson, Delta County Conservation District Director, gave the Board an update on the Community Forest and access roads.


Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Tatrow to approve the FY2017 Grant of $18,882 which will cover 34% of the Emergency Manager’s salary, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.
9. **MDOT FY 2018 Specialized Services.**

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Tatrow to approve the Specialized Services Operating Assistance Program with MDOT. This program will provide state funding assistance at $1.20/mile up to $44,290 for Delta County Community Action Agency. MOTION CARRIED.

10. **November 21st Board Meeting.**

Moved by Commissioner Tatrow and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to move the November 21st meeting to November 14th. MOTION CARRIED. Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Tatrow to move the October 17th meeting to 6:00 pm due to the Escanaba River bridge detour. MOTION CARRIED.

11. **Appointment to the Pathways Board (1 opening).**

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Tatrow to appoint Larry Kirshner to the Pathways Board. MOTION CARRIED.

12. **Appointments to the DATA Board (2 openings).**

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Tatrow to re-appoint David Fredrickson and Dennis Wiltzius to the DATA Board. MOTION CARRIED.

13. **Appointment to the Human Services Board (1 opening).**

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to re-appoint Elaine Boyne to the Human Services Board. MOTION CARRIED.

14. **Appointments to the Board of Election Canvassers (2 openings).**

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to re-appoint John Myers and Mary Alice Finlan to the Board of Election Canvassers. MOTION CARRIED.

15. **Appointments to the Airport Board (2 openings).**

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to re-appoint Brian Herioux and Debbie Anderson Skradski to the Airport Board. MOTION CARRIED.
   Moved by Commissioner Tatrow and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to re-appoint John Denholm and Benny Herioux to the Planning Commission. MOTION CARRIED.

17. Appointments to the Construction and Zoning Board of Appeals (2 openings).
   Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to re-appoint Dennis Ness and John Denholm to the Planning Commission. MOTION CARRIED.

   Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to re-appoint Robert Goodreau to the Remonumentation Peer Group, retroactive to June 12, 2017. MOTION CARRIED.

   Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to accept the $220,000 offer with no timber sale pending abandonment of the road and easement to owner of parcel 010-183-009-00 and parcel 010-183-008-00, as presented, for the Fishdam property and authorize Administrator Bergman to act on behalf of the Board. MOTION CARRIED.

19.5. Plumbing and Mechanical Inspector.
   Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Tatrow to appoint Dan King as the contractual Plumbing and Mechanical Inspector, as recommended by Building Inspector Menacher. MOTION CARRIED.

20. Executive Session.
   Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to move into closed session at 6:39 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the Administrator’s Evaluation, as requested by the Administrator, under OMI Section 15.268(8)(a).

   ROLL CALL  
   TATROW       YES
   JOHNSON       YES
   NELSON       YES
   MOYLE        YES
   RIVARD       YES

   MOTION CARRIED.
Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Tatrow to reconvene into regular session at 7:13 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

No actions were taken during executive session.

XII. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

XIII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERNS

Commissioner Tatrow: None.

Commissioner Johnson: Nice to see young people in attendance.

Commissioner Nelson: Attended the MAC Conference - was excited to hear the Bay Collage Water Technology Program acknowledged at the conference.

Commissioner Moyle: Also attended the MAC Conference on Mackinac Island. Was happy to hear that Delta County ranks third in the state for compensation to our Veterans.

Commissioner Rivard: Attended the MAC Conference. Pending Marijuana laws will have far reaching affects.

XIV. MEETING SCHEDULE

October 17th  6:00 p.m.  Board meeting.
November 7th  5:15 p.m.  Board meeting.
November 14th  5:15 p.m.  Board meeting.

XV. NOTICES

30 day notice of Appointments

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Tatrow and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to adjourn at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Nancy J. Kolich, County Clerk       David J. Rivard, Chair